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For **RECOMBINANT POXVIRUS EXPRESSING HOMOLOGOUS  
GENES INSERTED INTO THE POXVIRAL GENOME**  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-identified application,  
please amend the claims as follows: